



GUILDFORD HOCKEY CLUB

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AGM 2021 – Welfare and First Aid Report – 2020/21

First Aid

Several First Aid courses were run during the season, with grateful thanks to Michelle for organising them and to Adrian and Angie Jenkinson for being such good teachers.

Adrian was able to alter the course so it could be run in a covid safe manner.

A revised First Aid Report Form was introduced, and these are being used correctly - for the most part.

In May 2021 England Hockey released revised First Aid reporting requirements and this means we have to be even more vigilant than we already are.

- All club First Aiders will receive advice on the revised procedures before the start of the playing season.
- A number of courses will be arranged starting in September 2021 so that existing First Aiders whose certificates are expiring this year can be renewed as well as new people trained.

Welfare

This season we moved to having two Welfare Officers which is recommended for a Club our size. Ideally, we would have a female and a male – we currently have two female CWOs so would appreciate a male volunteer coming forward to help.

Given how start-stop the season was and the need to limit numbers and activities while we were physically present at the club, we had almost no safeguarding or welfare-related issues.

The major safeguarding effort this season, however, encompassed all the covid-safety measures needed every time we could get people onto pitches. The Board's

huge thanks goes to our Director of Hockey, Dan Fox, who took on the role of Club Covid Officer and helped lead the way through the various and ever-changing rules so that we could train and play to the extent possible.

Many, many thanks to Suzanne Wood for stepping forward to be our new Club Welfare Officer – she was well-trained and had a great start to the role. And then the season was curtailed.

We look forward to a new season and getting covid behind us. It will be important to remind all club members and guests of good safeguarding practice as we head back to normality.

At the time of writing, we have 165 people with current DBS checks. 11 are awaiting document verification and another 10 will be added to the system alongside 2 renewals in the next week. The list and system are reviewed all during the season; any new helpers and coaches will be added over the summer before the start of the new season.

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